

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR CONDUCTING ASBESTOS WORK IN NORTH CAROLINA**

This listing provides a partial synopsis of requirements and regulations affecting contractors performing asbestos management/abatement activities in North Carolina. A brief discussion of some of the regulatory requirements is included.

### **Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA)**

(40 CFR Part 763; NC Gen. Stat. §130A-444 through §130A-451)

40 CFR Part 763 regulates asbestos activities in public and private elementary and secondary schools. The rule requires schools to inspect for asbestos containing materials, develop asbestos management plans, and implement response actions in a timely manner. To carry out these activities, schools must use trained individuals. N.C. Gen. Stat. §130A-444 through §130A-451 require that these trained individuals become accredited by passing an EPA approved course and examination. After successful completion of the EPA approved course(s), each individual must obtain an accreditation number from the NC Health Hazards Control Unit.

For more information about the administration of this program in North Carolina, contact:

NC Department of Health and Human Services  
Division of Public Health  
Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Branch  
Health Hazards Control Unit  
1912 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-1912  
Telephone: 919-733-0820

### **Asbestos Hazard Management Program**

(NC Gen. Stat. §130A, Article 19; 10A N.C.A.C. 41C .0601- .0608, .0611)

This statute governs requirements pertaining to:

- 1) Criteria for asbestos exposure in public areas;
- 2) Accreditation of persons conducting asbestos management activities;
- 3) Obtaining and maintaining course approval; and
- 4) Obtaining a permit prior to conducting asbestos removal projects.

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## **National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP)**

(40 CFR 61, Subpart M; 10A N.C.A.C. 41C .0609 and .0610)

NESHAP standards address activities associated with the demolition and renovation of buildings which may contain asbestos, as well as the handling and disposal of asbestos containing waste material. Notification is required for demolitions whether or not asbestos is present. Notification is also required for building renovations when asbestos is present. Air emissions of asbestos are addressed as well. To provide notification or for more information, contact:

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Division of Public Health  
Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Branch  
Health Hazards Control Unit  
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## **Local Ordinances**

The following counties have been delegated authority by the US Environmental Protection Agency to enforce the NESHAP within their jurisdictions. The following county agencies must be notified, in addition to the NCDHHS, Health Hazards Control Unit, of demolitions and asbestos removal projects occurring within their county:

### **Buncombe County**

Western North Carolina Regional Air Pollution Control Agency  
49 Mt. Carmel Road  
Asheville, NC 28806  
Bob Camby, Director  
Telephone: 828-255-5655

### **Forsyth County**

Environmental Affairs Department  
537 N. Spruce Street  
Winston-Salem, NC 27101-1262  
Robert R. Fulp, Director  
Telephone: 336-727-8064

### **Mecklenburg County**

Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency  
Mecklenburg Air Quality  
700 N. Tryon Street  
Charlotte, NC 28202  
Telephone: 704-336-5500

## **NC Occupational Safety and Health Standards for the Construction Industry** (29 CFR 1926 and 29 CFR 1910; 13 N.C.A.C. 7C .0101)

29 CFR 1926.1101 establishes requirements for construction and related work involving asbestos, including demolition, removal, installation and transportation.

29 CFR 1010.1001 establishes requirements for general industry.

For more information, contact either of the following:

NC Department of Labor  
OSH Division  
Bureau of Consultative Services  
4 West Edenton Street  
Raleigh, NC 27601  
Telephone: 919-807-2899

NC Department of Labor  
OSH Division  
Bureau of Education, Training &  
Technical Assistance  
4 West Edenton Street  
Raleigh, NC 27601  
Telephone: 919-807-2875  
1-800-LABOR-NC

## **Transportation** (49 CFR 173.1090)

The NC Department of Transportation enforces requirements for transporting and manifesting asbestos and asbestos waste. For more information, contact:

Captain George Gray, Program Administrator  
NC Division of Motor Vehicles  
Enforcement Motor Carriers  
3128 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-3128  
Telephone: 919-861-3186

## **Landfill Operational Requirements** (10 N.C.A.C. 10G .0505)

These rules regulate the disposal of asbestos waste in permitted solid waste landfills. Approval of waste to be disposed in North Carolina landfills is regulated by the NC Division of Solid Waste Management, Solid Waste Section. Final acceptance of the waste is the decision of the local landfill operator who should be contacted directly. For more information on the broad state requirements, contact:

Mark Fry, Eastern Area  
NC DEHNR  
Fayetteville Regional Office  
Solid Waste Section  
225 Green Street, Suite 714  
Fayetteville, NC 28301  
Telephone: 910-486-1541

Brent Rockett, Western Area  
NCDEHNR  
Winston-Salem Regional Office  
Solid Waste Section  
585 Woughton Street  
Winston-Salem, NC 27107-2241  
Telephone: 336-771-4600

## **Guideline Criteria for Asbestos Abatement**

The NC Department of Administration, Division of State Construction requires that this document be utilized to develop an asbestos abatement specification plan for state-owned buildings.

The NC Department of Education has the same requirements for abatement projects in public school buildings.

For more information, contact either of the following:

NC Department of Administration  
Division of State Construction  
NC Education Building, Suite 450  
1307 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1307  
Telephone: 919-733-7962

NC Department of Health and Human Services  
Division of Public Health  
Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Branch  
Health Hazards Control Unit  
1912 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-1912  
Telephone: 919-733-0820

## **Dusty Trades Act**

(NC Gen. Stat. §97, Article 1, Section 97-60)

This act requires employers to provide periodic medical examinations for their employees who are exposed to the hazards of asbestos and/or silica in the workplace. The Dusty Trades Act is administered by NCDEHNR, Occupational Surveillance Branch. For more information, contact:

NC Department of Health and Human Services  
Division of Public Health  
Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Branch  
Occupational Surveillance Unit  
1912 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-1912  
Telephone: 919-715-3332

## Licensing for Contractors

Licensing is required for performing general contract work, including asbestos contracting, in North Carolina. For more information, contact:

NC Licensing Board for General Contractors

Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 17187  
Raleigh, NC 27619

Physical Address:

3739 National Drive, Suite 225  
Raleigh, NC 27612

Telephone: 919-571-4183

Website: <http://www.nclbgc.org>

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